CHAPTER III

LAND USE ANALYSIS

INTRODUCTION

Wise use of land is one of the principal goals in planning for future growth. In order to plan for future growth, it is necessary to review what has been done in the past. In this section the existing uses to which land is devoted are examined.

In the future, existing developed land will continue to be used and changes in present uses will take place. As changes in present uses occur and as new land is taken for various uses, the image of Jackson County will change. By planning now for these changes, the county can insure a funtional and pleasant place in which to live. The information in this report provides some of the basic data to be used in planning for the future of Jackson County.

In order to determine how land is presently used in Jackson County, a land use survey was made. The purpose of this study is to indicate present land development patterns upon which to base objective recommendations for the future use of land in Jackson County. The survey of land uses in Jackson County was completed in April, 1974

LAND USE CATEGORIES

The land uses in Jackson County have been grouped into the following categories:

- (1) Residential Structures containing one or more dwelling units, including single and multi-family household units and mobile home parks;
- (2) <u>Commercial</u> Any activity dealing in retail or wholesale trade or providing a service to the public;
- (3) Public and Semi-Public Public lands and facilities existing to serve the public, but not primarily for commercial purposes.